## Washington State Patrol Media Release

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## WSP Out in Force During Thanksgiving Weekend

Olympia – Chief Lowell M. Porter announced today the Washington State Patrol (WSP) will again be participating along with other state law enforcement agencies across the nation in a Thanksgiving Weekend safety campaign. Operation C.A.R.E. (Combined Accident Reduction Effort) is a campaign to reduce human suffering on our highways and interstates, particularly during the busy holiday weekends. These efforts will begin on Wednesday, November 24, 2004 and will conclude at midnight on Sunday, November 28, 2004.

"Fatality collisions anytime of the year are hard for families of the involved, but they are especially hard when they occur during the holidays," stated Chief Porter. Troopers will be using marked and unmarked patrol vehicles, motorcycles, and aircraft during this time. "We will continue over the holiday weekends to aggressively enforce the four core mission areas: DUI, aggressive driving, dangerous speed, and seatbelts," added Chief Porter.

To contact a Public Information Officer in your area about the WSP's participation in Operation C.A.R.E., please visit our website at http://www.wsp.wa.gov/newsfaqs/pio.htm.